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GOV. EASLEY TO ANNOUNCE FIRST ROUND OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL GRANTS

RALEIGH— Gov. Mike Easley will be joined by education and business leaders to announce the first round of North Carolina New Schools Project grants on <u>Thursday (Feb. 5) at 11:30 a.m. in the media center at East Wake High School (5101 Rolesville Road) in Wendell.</u> This program is designed to create new high schools in North Carolina that better prepare students for work and college through a major grant from the Gates Foundation.

Directions: From Raleigh, take Hwy. 64 East to Wendell. Then take Rolesville Exit and turn left on to Rolesville Road. East Wake High School is on the right. Use the second entrance for the school.

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